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## **Carrington Roundabout opened to traffic today**

Today, the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) Director Grant Levi along with Carrington Mayor, Neil Fandrich and other local officials celebrated the completion of the new roundabout at the intersection of ND Highway 200 and US Highway 52 in Carrington with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The US Highway 52 project, which includes the roundabout plus widening and paving 24 miles of highway west of Carrington, cost \$19.8 million and was funded with federal and state funding. Construction began on the project last May and the roundabout was opened to traffic today.

“Over 5,000 vehicles a day travel this corridor. With the completion of this project we have enhanced transportation safety by improving rural US Highway 52 and adding a roundabout to the intersection of Highway 52 and 200,” said NDDOT Director Grant Levi. “We appreciate the close partnership with the city of Carrington and area businesses as well as the patience of the traveling public while we worked on this project.”

Roundabouts have been shown to reduce high speed crashes and improve traffic flow compared to traditional intersections with other types of traffic control.

“The construction of the roundabout has been a very positive thing for the city of Carrington,” said Mayor Neil Fandrich. “Motorists are getting used to driving through it and it has helped tremendously with the flow of traffic.”

Motorists should be aware of the new driving pattern through the roundabout and remember to yield to traffic already in the roundabout. More information about driving through a roundabout is available at [dot.nd.gov](http://dot.nd.gov).